

Providing therapy in a patient's home:

In Chapter 2 of the State Operations Manual (SOM) section 2300 Outpatient Physical Therapy and/or Speech-Language Pathology Services at Other Locations such as a Patient's Private Residence, Assisted Living or Independent Living Facility states, "In addition to the primary site and any extension locations, the organization may provide therapy services in the patient's private residence or in a patient's room in a SNF/NF, in an assisted living facility, or in an independent living facility."

While Medicare has approved these locations for Outpatient Physical Therapy and/or Speech-Language Pathology Services certified providers, the State of Indiana has a statute (IC 16-27) which is more strict and requires any agency that provides physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy to the patient at the patient's temporary or permanent residence be licensed as a Home Health Agency (HHA). Please see the Home Health Agency (HHA) Licensing and Certification Program website <https://secure.in.gov/isdh/20125.htm> for more information. If you have additional questions on Indiana HHA regulations and how to apply please contact the program:

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